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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Isabelle BARA et al.

Application No.: 09/277,226

Group Art Unit: 1619

Filed: March 26, 1999

Examiner: A. Berman

For: W/O EMULSION,  
COMPOSITION COMPRISING  
SUCH AN EMULSION AND  
COSMETIC, PHARMACEUTICAL  
OR HYGIENE USE THEREOF

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In reply to the Office Action mailed January 17, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in light of the following remarks. Please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

21. (Twice amended) The emulsion according to claim 20, wherein said at least one dye is present in the emulsion in a proportion ranging from greater than 0 to 15%, by weight relative to the total weight of the emulsion.

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